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"THE FACTORY IN THE GARDEN"
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"Mussolini timed his blow with characteristically cowardice and treachery. After waiting nine months he was unable to resist the temptation to stab an old friend in the back, when that friend was fighting desperately against great odds. It will be remembered as one of the vilest acts in history."—Mr. Duff Cooper.

The general reaction to Italy's entry into the war was not one of surprise but of indignation and contempt that Mussolini should have declared war on the Allies in their hour of sternest trial. His act, as the British Minister for Information said, was the criminal act of a common murderer. It has been condemned, not only in Allied countries, but in all lands where civilisation and honour mean something more than fading memories. It will be execrated through future centuries by the descendants of the Italian people who will be the chief and most grievous sufferers from this tardily crime against humanity. By stabbing an old friend in the back, Mussolini has placed the prenatal brand of Cain on the brow of millions of Italians yet unborn.

As far as Italy is concerned, the history of the past nine months has been one of swaggering truculence toned down by a cowardly caution, whenever it appeared that the Allies had the upper hand. It was only in more recent weeks that the Italian Press began to flog up the enthusiasm of a carefully dragooned people for a war against neighbours who wished the Italian people nothing but good, and who had been long-suffering in the face of much provocation. It may be accepted that many decent Italians, both at home and abroad, do not want this war. One may readily accept the statement of the Italian in London who said: "If we had to have war we would a thousand times rather be on the side of Britain." But such statements must be set aside the roar of the frenzied pack yelping for Corsica, Tunis, Cyprus and other places that were never Italian and never wished to be Italian. Through-out the whole sanguinary course of history the decent citizens of a country have suffered for the sins of their countrymen. It is not to be denied that Italy has had, and still has, her decent citizens; it is equally undeniable that she has her gangsters and cut-throats. Italy has given the world her Pettrarch and her Dante, her Michel Angelo and Lionardo da Vinci, her Verdi and Puccini, and her Marconi. She has also inflicted on the world the Camorra and the Mafia with their "Black Hand" variations in all countries to which Italians have migrated; she has produced Al Capone and the hand-shake murder which is now being exploited by that greatest of all Italian gangsters, Benito Mussolini. Things like these must be remembered when people try to tell us we are not fighting the Italian people but only their wicked rulers, for it is the wolf-pack which represents the Italian people to-day.

Italy's entry into the war is not a disaster for the Allies, though it cannot fail to cause them a certain amount of embarrassment for the time being. By exploiting his nuisance value, to use the somewhat contradictory term forged by the Press in recent years, Mussolini has rendered Germany a service by immobilising a huge French army on the Alpine border, and huge Allied naval and military forces in the Eastern Mediterranean. By pursuing his policy of non-belligerency, which is something very different from neutrality, Mussolini was able to keep open one sidetor— the Adriatic Sea——in the Allied blockade. He can render Germany very little effective assistance, because the forces he has already immobilised will now be used against him, while the fact that Italy is in the war will enable the Allies to complete the blockade by sewing up the Adriatic. The French Prime Minister (M. Reynaud) showed a true appreciation of the situation when he pointed out that the Allies had their greatest strength in the Mediterranean. The forces there are well able to deal with any diversion Italy may make. For the time being, Italy may be able to force the Allies to fight colonial wars in North Africa and on the Red Sea littoral, but for that the Allies are far better equipped than Italy, since they can bring forces into action that could not, as yet, be used in the main war.

Strategically, Italy and her hastily assembled empire are most vulnerable to Allied attack, economically Italy is in a far worse position to wage a war of endurance than her Axis partner in international crime. During the past two decades Italy has developed her manufacturing and heavy industries to a large extent, but this has made serious inroads on her supplies of iron, steel and coal, most of which have to be imported. Again, Italy is a negligible producer of oil. By drastic rationing and other economies, she has managed to build up reserves that should be considerable, but it is questionable if these will long withstand the inroads of even a short war. For replacements, she is almost entirely dependent on producing countries such as the United States, Irak and the South American republic Columbia. Those sources of supply are now closed by the American determination to aid the Allies by all means short of going to war, but the fact that Irak, if not an actual ally is at least a benevolent neutral, and by the blockade which will prevent sup-
plies arriving from Columbia, even if that country does not follow the example of the United States.

We are fortunate, too, that Italy’s fighting value is greatly exceeded by her nuisance value. Throughout the nineteenth century, the only people the Austrians were ever able to beat in battle were the Italians. It was the value of France and the active sympathy of Britain that established the independence of a United Italy, less than a hundred years ago. British and French arms helped to restore the Italian front after the disgraceful rout of Caporetto in 1917. French and British friendship helped to extend Italy’s European frontiers at the end of the Great War. Memory of these things should have stirred Italy to some semblance of gratitude, if they did not remind her of the Italian lack of fighting capacity. But there is neither honour nor gratitude in the mental makeup of the gangster, whether he sits in a palace or lurks in the murky corridors of the underworld. Mussolini is flushed with victory over ill-armed Abyssinians, a victory that was achieved by mustard gas when even tanks and guns had failed. In the Allied troops, we will find foemen of a very different calibre. His action in challenging them may prolong the war, but it drives the first nail into the coffin of his dream of Empire and will end once and for all the silly cry that gangsters should be given other people’s lands in the interest of a patch-work peace.

“THIS IS A MORAL WAR”

“An ideological war, some say. No, for there is no question of a clash between mental conceptions of a controvertible nature; rather of monstrous theories rising against the immutable principles of morality; of pernicious errors that are being used to justify crimes against international law. It is indeed a moral war in defence of a human and Christian civilisation built with infinite patience. It is its prevailing moral aspect that lends this conflict its characteristic importance and its nobility; and this moral character is gradually rallying to our cause the sympathy of other nations. This also explains the striking similarity between the views of France and the views of the Catholic Church. We are engaged in this war firmly resolved to win it at whatever cost; and we do so to save the world from a new invasion of barbarian aggressiveness whose ravages are already visible. Our victory is a necessity for stemming this destructive flood and we draw from our armed strength and the justice of our cause, a confidence that will brook no defeat.”—Cardinal Lienart, Bishop of Lille, in his Lenten Pastoral.

THE VALIDITY OF WAR

How often does one hear the expression, “Oh, but war settles nothing.”

This is a thoughtless phrase. All great civilisations have, in the end, perished because of defeat in war. It was the victory of their opponents that put an end to the Babylonian, the Persian, the Carthaginian, the Roman, the Byzantine and the Napoleonic Empires. Were Hitler to win this war he could “settle” the British Empire once and for all.

Yet (as always with phrases that gain popular credence) there is an element of truth concealed under this inaccurate slogan. It is not war which settles nothing; war may settle certain things for ever. It is a bad peace which settles nothing.

I do not think that the great mass of our people as yet understand the true proportions of the issue. The realism is this: “The British Empire is in grave danger of extinction.” The idealism is: “If we can avoid being defeated we shall save the world.”

Did I believe that this war were no more than a ghastly episode provoked by the unstable vanity of a single man, then indeed I should surrender to despair, knowing that the ensuing peace would be no more than an episode. It is because I am convinced that this war, as it develops, will assume gigantic proportions that I believe the final settlement will also be gigantic.

Because of that faith I face the future with sorrow, with resolution, but without fear.—Harold Nicolson in “Why Britain is at War.”

The heartlessness of the persecution in Poland is all but incredible. Yet it is similar in kind and degree to persecutions practised by the Nazi regime within its own country on Germans.—Detroit News (U.S.A.).

Detestable as war is, there is something more detestable still, that is to think nothing is worth fighting for and meekly to acquiesce in the oppression of the weak by the strong.

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In seven dark years Hitler, former frustrated paperhanger, and his arrogant Nazi party have been indicted by all the civilisations as merciless war-makers, destroyers of free nations, sadistic torturers of peaceful peoples. It is time now for Germany to awaken and expel this self-appointed almighty whose record of brutal aggression and heartless persecution is written in the blood of his countless victims.—Philadelphia Inquirer (U.S.A.).

Not heaven, nor hell, nor history can condone the sum total of German enormities in Poland—her ruthless subjugation of a people; the transportation of whole communities; forced labour, drum-head sentences and the profanation of things sacred. The story must give grim reading for Roumania, Sweden and other lands in danger of being branded lebensstraum.—World Telegram (U.S.A.).

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TENTH GARRISON BATTALION

Under the presidency of the R.S.M. (W.O.1 O'Meara) the sergeants' mess of the 10th Garrison Battalion is a live institution. Decorations and games abound, mostly the work of Armourer-Sergeant Beaton, and at night, after duty, a most homely atmosphere prevails. Several guest nights have been held and warrant officers and sergeants from other units and district headquarters have been invited, further cementing the good fellowship which exists between the battalion and all with whom it is in contact.

On Thursday, May 16, one of these happy occasions was staged, when the Commanding Officer and officers of the battalion were the principal guests. Others included representatives from the Y.M.C.A., Mr. C. Taylor (Deputy Commissioner of Repatriation) and members of the Pay Corps. Competitive games were held, and at the close of proceedings a draw was declared.

On Sunday, May 19, the very many organisations who have so kindly donated gifts to the battalion were honoured by the officers of the battalion when representatives were invited to afternoon tea. This was served in the officers' mess and on the lawn in front, the day being a fine, sunny one. Representatives were noticed from the F.U.S.W., associates Cottesloe Golf Club, Soldiers' Welcome Committee, Claremont and Nedlands R.S.L., women's auxiliaries, Y.M.C.A., Red Cross and Returned Soldiers' League.

The new camp for the battalion, which after eight months' wandering, it is hoped, will be a permanent home, has been commenced. A plan of the camp has been placed on the notice board and attracts much attention and discussion. The site is very close to the present camp and frequent visits are paid and progress noted. Many suggestions for future comfort are forthcoming, and some of these, it is hoped, will be incorporated in the specifications.

Gardens and lawns are planned and in the future the camp should be the show camp of the district.

Several members of the battalion have been successful in joining the Railway Unit for service overseas, much to the envy of their comrades. However, they have left conveying with them the best wishes of all in the battalion. Several more hope at an early date to join the 7th Division.

Many gifts in kind have been received by the battalion from generous donors since its formation. The latest gift is a particularly useful one from the Victoria League Camp Comforts Fund. It took the form of 40 pairs of oilskin leggings for use by sentries in combination with the issue rubber cape.

Seen around camp one wet day, Pioneer-Sergeant "Tinny" Thomas, carrying an open umbrella! It only wanted a pair of red pantaloons to complete the Poli known to many in 1914-1918.

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Two of the hardest working and most necessary men around the camp are Privates Fox and Howard, the regimental butchers. Unassuming, silent workers, they are in large measure responsible for the excellence of the meals presented to the troops. Both artists in their way, they delight in boning, mincing, corning and even smoking the various kinds of meat sent along by the A.S.C.

The battalion statistician has been up to his tricks again, and makes the statement that the combined ages of members of the battalion on strength this week total 20,882 years. No fewer than 131 trades and professions are represented. Trade units in the Command are never stuck now when a specialist is wanted or tradesmen required to fill positions. Even a finger-print expert has been placed, but so far the pawnbroker's assistant still carries a rifle!

Many applications have been received lately from would-be recruits. One was written by the wife of an ex-soldier who is in the bush. She said her husband keenly desired to join the Garrison Battalion. His old regiment and service were given, also his age. The application ended: "he is the father of five children and has no disabilities!"

"A" Company completed their two weeks of duty at Rottnest on May 26, when they were relieved by "B" Company. The change-over has now got down to a fine art, and each month an effort is made to reduce the actual time of embarkation and disembarkation, much rivalry existing between the three companies. So far only seconds separate them. Naval men concerned foster this competition.

The oft-repeated claim that service in the battalion is rejuvenating the "old boys" is now confirmed by the large number volunteering, and being accepted, for service in the new A.I.F. They're all ten years younger since donning the old slouch hat again, and these stiff medical exams prove it.

Privates R. J. Budd and G. Lintott recently attended a school of cookery at Northam and qualified.

Private A. Gunn, from "C" Company, has been transferred to the Area Brigade Major's staff to be corporal clerk, and Private E. J. Schulze has transferred to Western Command, M.T. Section, and will in future be seen sitting behind the wheel of a staff car.
Corporal A. G. Truman, of “A” Company, recently earned the commendation of the C.O. for his service in rescuing engineering stores that had fallen overboard near Rottnest jetty. During two days in icy cold weather Corporal Truman made many dives into deep water, his action further cementing the good feelings which exist between the Garrison Battalion and all with whom it comes into contact.

A couple of well-known N.C.O.’s of the battalion were recently challenged as strangers in the camp. Close investigation revealed the fact that they had sampled a well-known brand of hair-dye, and one had jettisoned his silver mo. Result—one, so far, has had his hair described on an A.I.F. form as “silvery-brown.” But he got there!

Much is being done by the engineer services for the comfort of men on guard at certain places. The type of hut which is being erected is cozy and pleasing.

Amongst sporting activities held by “A” Company whilst on Rottnest Island was a fishing competition, a prize being offered for the largest and smallest catch. L/Corporal H. C. Smith won both. His largest catch was a salmon on a herring line. Fish has been plentiful during the month, and has figured at many breakfasts. “A” Company say there’s a vast difference between the fish they caught and the A.S.C. issue.

To replace vacancies in the ranks of the battalion, mainly caused by other units seeking suitable N.C.O.’s, the C.O. and Adjutant (Lieut-Colonel Robinson and Captain Walker) interviewed about 250 would-be recruits on Wednesday, May 29. Of 106 that were selected to go before the medical board, 64 were passed as fit (class 1), 18 were fit (class 2) and 24 were rejected. The medical exam. was as rigorous as before, and the age limit was kept down. The average age of those accepted was 44 years. Sixty of the recruits were marched in to camp on Friday, May 31 and quickly adapted themselves to old customs. After being fitted out with uniform and equipment they were soon indistinguishable from the earlier (we nearly wrote “older”) members of the battalion.

L/Corporal F. G. Rickard and Private J. L. Foster have transferred to the Infantry Training Depot (Northam) as N.C.O. instructors.
On Friday, May 31, Miss Doris Melville's pupils gave a concert in the large mess hut at Swanbourne. The various items were generously applauded and the kindness of those taking part in the entertainment of the troops is greatly appreciated.

"Works and Parks" unit has now discovered that many tradesmen are to be found in the ranks of the 10th, and as a result applications are frequently received to transfer skilled men. Amongst the latest to transfer are Privates B. G. Wright, J. Olifent, C. S. Trethewey and A. D. Gorton.

A new guard had been posted to relieve those that had been on duty a month. One of the new men scouting around on the first Sunday morning was seen coming away from the direction of the back door of a local hostelry. Seeing a lounging nearby, the soldier, in true comradesly spirit, walked up to him and said: "It's no use, Dig., the Johns are hanging around." The lounging was one of the new Johns!

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SEPARATING THE SHEEP FROM THE GOATS

A small room at the rear of the canteen had been set aside for the use of officers and sergeants, a short screen dividing the officers and the N.C.O.'s. Walking into the room on inspection soon after its opening, the C.O. was astounded to see a notice on the sergeants' side "Sheep." There was no notice on the officers' side, but 'nuff sed.

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THE COOK'S TOOTH

Many of the members of the 10th Garrison Battalion possess artificial dentures (that sounds better than false teeth). The cook on duty at one of the guard posts was in the habit of taking his out at night and putting by his bed—or pallisase-side. One night rats (four-legged ones) knocked over the glass, bit off a tooth and got away with it. Who provides the replacement is a subject for a court of enquiry.

AUSTRALIA! ON GUARD!

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Hark to the cry "Australia, on Guard!"
The Empire calls, an Empire battle-scarred;
But all resolved the hounds of hell to beat
And force them, cowed, to grovel at its feet.

To arms! To arms! Ye gallant men and true,
Tradition calls to you, and you, and you;
The kith and kin of those whose valour great
Did for their race a world-wide fame create.

Fall in! Fall in! There ring the bugle notes,
The clarion call; and o'er the land there floats
The sound of feet, as flashing to their post
Our men of might build up a mighty host.

Ride on! Ride on! Humanity to save
From darkness dire, more dreadful than the grave;
Where murder lurks, where hearts are turned to stone,
Where men are beasts, and mercy is unknown.

Glide on! Glide on! High courage on the wing

THE LISTENING POST, 15th June, 1940

As tip to tip our airmen succour bring;
And timely aid their gallant comrades give,
That justice, truth and piety may live.

Plunge on! Plunge on! The ocean waters spurn,
The crews alert, guns trained at ev'ry turn;
To crush and smash this vile, inhuman foe
And drive him down into the depths below.

From near and far the British Empire's might
Across the world is rushing to the fight;
With pent-up rage in vengeance to take toll
For countless crimes that wrung its very soul.

To victory! That is the battle-cry.
To victory! The echo makes reply;
From mountain tops, where'er is British sod;
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As the result of a resolution passed by the Federal Executive at its meeting last month, the broad outline of a scheme whereby the services of ex-service men might be utilised for home defence was submitted to the Federal Government and accepted in principle by the Ministry. The details of the plan suggested by the League are now being worked out by the Chief of the General Staff (General Sir C. B. Brudenell White). More detailed information about the Federal Executive meeting and its sequel were given at the meeting of the State Executive on June 12 by Mr. W. J. Hunt, who represented the W.A. Branch at that meeting.

Mr. Hunt said that messages from near and far centres had been received by Federal Headquarters of the League, urging the organisation of ex-service men for some work of home defence. The Federal President (Sir Gilbert Dyett) had discussed the matter with General Sir Brudenell White and then sent him a letter, pointing out that the main issue was to enlist, organise and train as many men as Australia could spare to send abroad, and that behind this movement the spirit and use of ex-service men could be a valuable support. Each sub-branch of the League, Sir Gilbert Dyett wrote, should classify its members as physically fit and less fit, the former category to be grouped into sections and companies, according to their special qualifications as gunners, sappers, signalers and so on. These units could then be given refresher courses, and as enlistments of younger men proceeded for service overseas, the returned soldiers, freshly trained, could be called upon to act as instructors. They could be a most useful reserve to the military authorities and a moral force of great power in the community.

Mr. Hunt said that a special committee of representatives of the Army Board and the League met in Melbourne. Details of the new organisation would be forthcoming without delay. In the meantime, it was most desirable that sub-branches should proceed at once with the enrolment of members of the corps.

Mr. E. S. Watt said that two or three men had offered to give their spare evenings to perform clerical work in connection with enrolling men for the home defence corps. At a recent meeting of the West Leederville-Wembley sub-branch, 54 members had expressed a desire to join the corps. It was essential that the organisation of the corps be proceeded with without delay, because "messing about" over the "A" and "B" class reserve for so long had caused enthusiasm to wane.

The idea of the reserve has made a strong appeal to many other sub-branches. As we went to press it was learnt that officials of the Bassendean sub-branch would be in attendance from 10 a.m. to noon on the following Sunday to enrol members. The West Australian, on the same day, contained reports of meetings at Mt. Hawthorn, Mt. Lawley and Fremantle, where the response to the lead set by the League has been most enthusiastic. By now, there is hardly a sub-branch, country or metropolitan, which has not seized upon the opportunity to do something and to do it quickly.

So the seven years are completed—seven years of regression and constant threat to civilisation. Hope for the world will rise if in the eighth year shows the beginning of the break in this ruthless rule of force.—Toledo Blade (U.S.A.), on seven years of Nazi rule.

The English do not have an unsullied record. Neither do the French, nor the Americans. Aggressions and injustices can be marked up against them all. But the case against each of them becomes mild in comparison with the case against Nazi Germany. What the Nazis are doing in the lands they have conquered constitutes a denial of civilisation.—Cincinnati Enquirer (U.S.A.).
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Corporal Horne, 2nd Division Signallers, N.Z.E.F., now serving abroad, would like to communicate with cousins named Lightbody, who served in the A.I.F. and are believed to be in Western Australia.

On May 19, the League in general and the Wickepin sub-branch in particular, lost a very staunch supporter by the passing of Isaac Barry Gordon, after a short illness, the intensity of which was patiently borne. The deceased joined the 13th Hussars in 1891 at the age of 18 years and saw service in the South African War, after which he was transferred to the reserve. He was recalled to regimental duty on August 3, 1914, and served through until 1917, when he was released from military service to do a specialist's job in one of England's largest shipyards. His substantive rank on leaving the Army was that of sergeant-major. His second period of service was with the Duke of Lancaster's Yeomanry. The funeral, which took place at Wickepin on May 25, was attended by residents of all parts of the district, which showed the great esteem in which our deceased comrade and his family were held. The casket was draped with the Union flag. Six ex-service men, among whom was a 13th Hussar of the 1914-18 period, were the pall-bearers. The deceased leaves a widow, three sons and three daughters to mourn his loss. To them we extend our sincere and heartfelt condolence.

A genial visitor to the State in the earlier part of the month was Mr. J. Deans, of the administrative staff of the Australian Broadcasting Commission. Mr. Deans is a Sydney man who served with the 9th Field Ambulance in France and Flanders.

Members of the West Leederville-Wembley sub-branch have spent many happy evenings recently with members of the Manchester Unity Lodge. The special thanks of the sub-branch for these happy arrangements are due to one of the sub-branch's own members, Mr. George Tummell. He has always been a great worker for the sub-branch of which he was president for a period of two years. He saw much service overseas with the 28th Battalion. His most consistent activity at present is training the sub-branch's own cricket team, which is expected to give a good account of itself in the forthcoming season's competitions.

At the May meeting of the West Leederville-Wembley sub-branch sympathy was expressed for two members who have suffered recent bereavements. Past President H. E. Smith was consoled with the loss of his mother and Bill James on the loss of his wife. Both ladies were very active members of the women's auxiliary, by whom their loss will be keenly felt.

We regret to announce the death of Mr. Phil Loffman, M.M., a 16th Battalion Digger, who was long a resident of North Perth and a foundation member of the North Perth sub-branch. He passed away suddenly in the Perth Hospital on May 24, but he had been in failing health for over two years. He leaves two sons, the eldest of whom, Phil, is now in camp. To his two sons and relatives we extend our deepest sympathy.

Some of us are still young enough. Sid (Mintie) Treasure, of the North Perth sub-branch is now in the A.I.F. once more. During the last war he saw much service with the 2nd Light Horse and he has again decided that in moments like these the Army needs "Minties." We wish him the best of luck and a safe return. Mrs. Sid is a tower of strength to the North Perth women's auxiliary.

Congratulations to "Pat Roche" on being elected one of the representatives of the South-East Province in the Legislative Council. Pat served with the 10th Light Horse in the Big Stoush, and since his return from active service he has evinced..
At the last meeting of the State Executive Certificates of Service were presented on behalf of the Manjimup sub-branch to Mr. J. L. Mackenzie and Mr. Bert Beer. For years Jock Mackenzie, as president of the Manjimup sub-branch, was the driving power and inspiration behind this progressive unit of the League and he was ably supported by Bert Beer as secretary. Jock left to accept a commission in the Army and Bert, who is a schoolmaster, was transferred to the metropolitan area.

Mrs. Tolchard, of the F.U.S.W., the energetic lady who has only missed two of that organisation’s meetings in eighteen years, has received many letters of appreciation from the young Diggers now in Palestine. She is a member of the organisation which entertains troops passing through Perth, and the quality of that entertainment has obviously been appreciated by the boys now serving.

Lieut.-Colonel R. M. W. Thirkell, Director of Civil Defence and State Co-operation with the Department of Defence Co-Ordination, paid a flying visit to Perth at the beginning of the month. A Tasmanian by birth, he was a subaltern in the old pre-war militia in Hobart, and was for a time Area Officer for Hobart under the compulsory training scheme. He did his service overseas with the famous 12th Battalion, and was severely wounded in France. He was the most delighted man in Perth when a representative of The Listening Post informed him that there was a very active 12th/52nd Battalion Association in this State. He regretted that he had not time to meet the members of the association of one of themselves, but that position may be remedied when he comes back to Perth in about six months time.

Ern Congdon, the colourful personality, who has presided over the destinies and meetings of Subiaco sub-branch for the past two and a half years, has joined the A.I.F. as a transport mechanic in the 2/7th Field Ambulance. As the Subiaco president rose to reply to the several speeches in his honour at the June meeting of that sub-branch and saw the large attendance of good members drawn from every walk of life, he was looking at what is, to a large extent, the fruit of his own energy and initiative. Ern, who did a modest job of work with the 11th Battalion in the last argument, is proud of his claim to be the first “sitting” president to be taken on in the new A.I.F. We wish him the best of luck and a safe and speedy return.

It is with regret that we report the untimely death of a good member of the Carlisle sub-branch, Mr. Fred White, who was killed as the result of a motor accident on the Causeway. Before coming to Australia he served in the 14th Hussars. He did his bit with the Railway Corps in the last war and had always been a League stalwart and a friend of all Diggers. Fred White was chairman of the meeting which decided to form the Carlisle sub-branch. He was foundation president and held that office.

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for some time. His genial personality endeared him to all who had the privilege of knowing him. He will be sadly missed, not only in Carlisle, but in every other place where he had occasion to go on business and in the interest of social welfare to which he devoted so much of his leisure hours.

Carlisle sub-branch suffered another bereavement during the month through the passing of Albert Parker, a 43rd Battalion man, who answered the last call in the Edward Millen Home recently. Death brought release from a long period of illness and suffering, which our late comrade bore with all that courage and fortitude that is characteristic of the Digger.

The Mt. Marshall sub-branch has to record with the deepest regret the death of one of its staunchest members, Mr. A. G. Forrester, who was accidentally killed on Wednesday, May 22. "Bill," as he was called by all, was seeding and was thrown off the combine and killed instantaneously. He served in the A.A.M.C. and was one of the first reinforcements for the 3rd Field Ambulance when the Anzacs were on Gallipoli. Later in France he served with the 13th Field Ambulance in which he attained the rank of sergeant and was awarded the D.C.M. and M.M. The D.C.M. was awarded for exceptionally fine work on April 24, 1918. On that day, Lance-Corporal Forrester, with three squads of stretcher-bearers, was posted to the M.O. of the 50th Battalion in the Bois l'Abbe. During the advance on the enemy position north-east of Cachy, under an extremely heavy shell and machine gun fire, the regimental medical officer was reported missing. With the greatest coolness and resource, Lance-Corporal Forrester took charge of the situation. He quickly organised the A.A.M.C. detail, established a casualty collecting post, directed the work of the stretcher-bearers and succeeded in establishing contact with battalion headquarters in front and the field ambulance posts in the rear. He personally conducted these operations, exposed to continuous heavy fire in an area which was devoid of shelter, showing a complete disregard of danger. It was entirely due to his resource and mastery control of a most difficult situation that a serious breakdown in the evacuation of the wounded in the battalion was successfully averted. Our deepest sympathy is extended to his widow who, as Sister C. F. Robertson, served abroad with the Australian Army Nursing Service, and to their son Ian. Six members of the sub-branch formed a firing-party, and the Last Post and Reveille were sounded by Reg. Oaten, of the Gabbin sub-branch.

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All who know him will approve of the appointment of Lieut.-Colonel A.C. N. Olden as Deputy-Director of Recruiting in this State. He is one who has given years of untiring service to the League, both as a senior vice-president of the W.A. Branch and as a member of the State Executive. Colonel Olden served with the 10th Light Horse in the last war and is the author of a war history entitled “Westralian Cavalry in the War.”

One of the busiest of a very busy team of the State Executive delegates is Mr. M. E. Zeffert, whose big job is chairman of the Citizens’ Receptions Council. “Morrie” served abroad with the 51st Battalion where he was badly wounded and has been prominent in League activities since his return. Possessing a keen intellect he is a concise and forceful speaker.

League Certificate of Merit-holder, Mr. Hastings C. Reid, who again organised Empire Shopping Week in this State, was present by invitation at the last meeting of the State Executive to submit his report. We regret that we have not sufficient space to publish the report in full. Mr. Reid reviewed the activities of the week stating that the response by both the trading and purchasing sections of the community had been magnificent. Mr. Reid was heartily thanked by delegates for his patriotic efforts in organising the week, not only this year, but for the past fifteen years.

It was with deep regret that the State Executive delegates accepted the resignation of Ollie Williams from their ranks. Ollie had been ordered by his doctor to ease off a bit. As president of the Mt. Lawley sub-branch he has been an outstanding success and he intends to continue with this activity. We echo the wish of his numerous friends, wishing Ollie better health.

Replacing Ollie Williams on the State Executive is one of the League’s most able and versatile enthusiasts, Harry Kahan, the president of the South Perth sub-branch. Harry served with the 28th Battalion, both in Gallipoli and France, where he founded and edited the battalion magazine “The Ringnecks.” Previously a school teacher he is now in business in Perth. Harry will be a very valuable member of the executive.

Major J. W. Colpitts, the recently elected president of the South African and Imperial Veteran’s Association, is a Northumbrian by birth, who saw much service in the South African War, after which he remained in Africa for several years as a member of the South African Mounted Constabulary, which was organised at the end of the war by Baden-Powell. For a time he took up farming in the Orange Free State. Major Colpitts came to Western Australia towards the end of 1913 and had been nine months on the land when the Great War broke out. He went on active service again, this time with the 10th Light Horse, and served in Egypt, Gallipoli, France and Flanders. He returned to the land in this State after the Armistice. At present he is Adjutant of the West Australian Corps of Commissionaires.

32nd Battalion Reunion

The annual reunion dinner this year will be held at Mrs. O’Connell’s rooms, at the corner of Hay and Milligan Streets, on July 20. A hot dinner will be served at 7:30 p.m. and tickets are 3/6. There will be an excellent musical programme, plenty of refreshments and good company. A special invitation is extended to all men who served in the 8th Brigade (A.I.F.).

Communism is a religion trying to supplant Christianity. Nazism is much the same on a mundane basis. Germany encourages a return to the old pagan Druid creeds. The State Church is muzzled; confessional churches are suppressed and censored, their property confiscated. Monks are sent to prison on trumped-up charges and prelates are assaulted. The Nazi religion is Stateism and hatred.—Sunday News.
THE LISTENING POST, 15th June, 1940

A.R.M.S. COMPETITIONS

Second Round

ZONE 1
Perth beat South Perth ..... 6-4
Subiaco beat Yokine ..... 8-2
W. Leederville beat W. Perth ..... 8-2
Mt. Hawthorn beat Osborne Park ..... 10-2
Maylands: bye.

ZONE 2
North Perth beat Mtl. Lawley ..... 6-4
Gloucester Pl. beat Victoria Pl. ..... 10-0
Nedlands beat Mosman Park ..... 8-2
Cottesloe beat Claremont ..... 7-3
Shooting
Mtl. Hawthorn, 148; Subiaco, 145;
Gloucester Park, 145; Mtl. Lawley, 144;
Nedlands, 143; W. Leederville, 142;
North Perth, 140; Perth, 140; Mosman
Park, 138; W. Perth, 136; Osborne
Park, 135; Cottesloe, 132; Claremont,
132; Yokine, 131; Victoria Park, 128;
South Perth, 123. Maylands: bye.

Third Round

ZONE 1
Maylands beat Osborne Park ..... 6-4
Mtl. Hawthorn beat W. Perth ..... 8-2
W. Leederville beat Yokine ..... 6-4
Subiaco beat South Perth ..... 8-2
Perth: bye.

ZONE 2
Claremont beat Mosman Park ..... 8-2
Nedlands beat Victoria Park ..... 8-2
Gloucester Park beat North Perth ..... 8-2
Mtl. Lawley beat Cottesloe ..... 8-2
Shooting
Mtl. Hawthorn, 147; Nedlands, 145;
Gloucester Park, 145; Mtl. Lawley, 141;
Mosman Park, 141; Subiaco, 139; Cottes-
loe, 139; Maylands, 137; Yokine, 136;
W. Perth, 135; W. Leederville, 135;
Claremont, 134; Victory Park, 133;
South Perth, 131; North Perth, 129; Os-
borne Park, 125. Perth: bye.

Tenth Light Horse Association

(A.I.F.)

(By R.G.H.)

At the May general meeting 30-odd mem-
bers turned up and enjoyed a good night’s
fun. Membership has now reached 145 with
indications of more to come. During the
month Mr. Timperley had the pleasure of
meeting Brigadier-General H. G. H. Robert-
son, now C.O. 19th Brigade. You all know
Mug-Gunner Robby. He sent along four
years’ sub. to the association on his way to
Palestine or somewhere. The old mob is
getting a good representation in the A.I.F.,
the latest being Bert Wrightson, while Arthur
Olden is deputy director of recruiting. Erny
Hull is in Remounts, Phil Lewing in Ordi-
nance, Harry Moore and Sergeant Thomas-
son are at Northam Camp. There are quite
a lot in the 10th Garrison. Jack Durack
Major C.O. Legal Corps or whatever title the
name indicates. Arthur Blythe, who keeps
the light burning at North-West Cape, off
Carnarvon, sent in a two-years’ sub. The
association conducted its first social and
dance on June 13. Bill Lyall is way up
Lakeside way and says things would probably
become lively if a certain eventuality does
come to light. Bill can now talk five different
languages. Arthur Sweetapple has not been
in the pink lately and we hope he is
soon O.K. Ted Arundel is now fast becom-
ing an efficient and fluent speaker. Smoko
this year will be on Wednesday, October 9,
and members are advised to start a lay-by
for the occasion. The Young 10th Regiment
and the 25th Machine Gun Regiment have
suffered heavily by transfers of all ranks to
the A.I.F. The proposed R.S.L. Defence
Corps will prove temporarily awkward to
our members, as we are not used to march-
ing in threes and horse-holders will not be
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The R.S.L. Volunteer Defence Force

As the result of representations made by the League, and subsequent conferences between representatives of the League and the Army authorities, the Department of the Army has approved of the formation of a R.S.L. Volunteer Defence Corps. Since that was reported in the Press the Federal President (Sir Gilbert Dyett) said that, in accordance with the recommendations made, the R.S.L. Volunteer Defence Corps will be organised by the League on flexible establishments, approved by Army Headquarters, and should carry out such voluntary training as can be mutually arranged between the General Officer Commanding the Western Command and the League, in association with the existing area organisation.

When the organisation of these units is completed the League will advise the areas with which they are associated of the personnel available and eligible for posting to units of the active forces on mobilisation, in accordance with their qualifications and standards of physical fitness.

A distinguishing badge or armlet should be worn by the personnel of the R.S.L. Volunteer Defence Corps when attending training parades or carrying out other duties required of them.

Instructions for training for the R.S.L. Volunteer Defence Corps will be issued by Army Headquarters after consultation with the League.

In order to ensure that uniformity in the methods of registration and control shall be observed, enrolment forms have been printed and are being distributed by the State Secretary. A syllabus of training will be sent as soon as practicable. A sample of the armlet will be forwarded when available.

The State Executive is required to appoint a sub-committee not exceeding five members, to be designated the Administrative Staff, one of whose functions will be appointments, including liaison officer between the State Branch and the G.O.C.

With the object of obviating any possible misunderstanding, it is pointed out that all ex-service men, including Imperial ex-service men, are eligible for membership of the R.S.L. Volunteer Defence Corps, whether they are members of the League or not.

However, by virtue of the approval of the Department of the Army for the formation of the Corps, the State Branch, through its sub-branches, is empowered immediately to proceed with the work of organisation.

It is recommended that special care be taken to see that all men enrolling are classified according to their qualifications, such as signallers, machine-gunners, artillery, army medical corps and so on.

In the meantime sub-branches are urged to proceed with their district organisation and endeavour to obtain instructors in the latest drill, musketry and physical training.

The early establishment of this reserve force, consisting of men who saw active service in the Great War, will release for overseas service many younger men who are now doing duty in the home defence force.

In addition to sanctioning the formation of the R.S.L. Volunteer Defence Corps, the Commonwealth Government has decided to increase the strength of the Garrison Battalions and to raise the age limit for Class "A" Reservists to 48 years.
The following letter has been received from a Yealering correspondent who signs himself H. J. Corke (late 16th Battalion). "Many returned men, I am sure," he writes, "will take strong exception to the misleading and disparaging remarks regarding Professor Murdoch and Canon Bell in your last issue. Both these men are of the highest integrity and sincerity and both are consumed with a love of their fellow men. John Bell is a returned man himself and was decorated for valour on the field, and when you sneer at him because he remembers Hitler in his prayers at church it is just as well to recall that Christ Himself taught us to pray for our enemies, that their ways might be altered. The whole tone of your article leads one to the conclusion that you would like to see us all follow Hitler and his friends down the path to paganism." So far Mr. Corke is the only reader who has taken exception of any sort to the remarks published in the May Listening Post. On the contrary, we have received many congratulations, including not a few from former members of Canon Bell's own congregation. I would remind Mr. Corke that it was the judgment of these men, and not their personal integrity that was called into question. They were not misrepresented, and we can assure Mr. Corke that this paper will not hesitate to criticise anyone whose published statements, or public remarks, are likely to play into the hands of the enemy. We feel sure that Mr. Corke does not approve of such practices, however they may play to the gallery or appeal to uncritical members of the general public. Regarding the divine injunction to pray for one's enemies, I can find no Biblical authority for praying for the nation's enemies, as distinguished from personal foes. Nor can I find any divine injunction to pray for Satan, whose vice-gerent Hitler is on earth. I am glad Mr. Corke raised this issue of prayer, for there is also a Biblical instruction to pray in private, which is a very different matter from seeking publicity by making a parade of prayer. I notice that Mr. Corke adopts the threadbare argument that anything opposed to disruptive tactics is Hitlerism. In the past, Hitler has paid people good money to speak and act as such people are speaking and acting to-day. To criticise these mountebank practices, or even prosecute them, is not Hitlerism but plain common sense.

When Italy crowned a career of peace blackmail by declaring war on the Allies in such a dastardly fashion—a whole fortnight after Italian "troops" had been supplying Hitler with cannon fodder in France—a Digger of my acquaintance said: "Well, thank God. Now we can say what we like about Mussolini." Unfortunately it cannot be said in the chaste pages of The Listening Post, although I have been diving into a textbook on anatomy to find a scientific synonym that does not start with one of the early letters of the alphabet.

Nothing we can say about Mussolini to-day could be nastier than what the American international journalist, George Seldes, said about him in his unauthorised biography of Benito, "The Sawdust Caesar." In 1914 Mussolini was a socialist under the ban of the Italian law. He was prominent in an agitation to keep Italy from entering the war, even on the side of Germany and Austria, with whom she was allied. The French Foreign Minister, knowing that Mussolini had journalistic ambitions, persuaded the French Government to buy him a little paper in Milan and let him play at being an editor. Mussolini then changed his coat and strafed the Italian Government of the day for not joining up with Britain and France. At the time of the rape of Abyssinia, Mussolini's admirers in this country made much of the alleged fact that he was wounded in the war. So he was. The wounds were collected in a bombing school, miles away from the front, and they were of a nature that would have sent a British soldier before a court-martial for a self-inflicted wound. Actually Mussolini's service with the colours did not exceed a fortnight—and it was all in back areas.

It is one of the ironies of fate that Mussolini should have entered the war as the vassal of Hitler, in spite of his melodramatic boasts about the might of Fascist Italy. The alliance of the dictators is little more than a marriage of convenience, because, in the point of fact, there is no love lost between them as individuals. Hitler suffers from adnoids and has a repellent habit of sniffing. Among his intimates, Mussolini always refers to Hitler as "The Sniffer." On the other hand, when Mussolini made his wonderfully stage-managed visit to Berlin a few years ago, Hitler, at an official banquet, leaned over to the British Ambassador and said to him in the Fuehrer's ungrammatical German, "I would much rather have your king beside me than this fat Dago." An alliance between such kindred spirits should be productive of much gain—for their opponents.
It was comforting to read recently that the Commonwealth Government is not unaware of the antics of certain clergy-men who carry showmanship into the pulpit. No legal action is contemplated at present, because the authorities are concentrating on subversive publications rather than subversive pulpit-teering; but we may rest assured that persons, whose eminence in other directions attracts more attention than the ravings of soap-box spruikers will not be able to claim benefit of clergy when the law begins to turn a hostile eye to the mountebanks who wear their collars reversed.

One cannot commend the wisdom of the Primate of Australia (Dr. Le Panu) either in signing a letter protesting against the action of the Commonwealth Government in banning traitorous publications or in pleading for tolerance for pacifists. Such an attitude may be innocuous in time of peace, but by the very eminence of the Primate's position in the community it becomes dangerous when we are fighting for our very existence. A church paper in the Eastern States roundly took him to task for his implied support of the hirelings of Moscow. As far as pacifists are concerned we are all pacifists to the extent that none of us wants war if it can be avoided; but if by "pacifist" is meant the so-called conscientious objector, then away with tolerance. He that is not with us is against us, and the pacifist of that stripe is nothing but a traitor and should be treated as such.

When a man named Deans received a well-merited sentence of six months' imprisonment recently for treasonable activities, his counsel pleaded on his behalf that the convicted man was a returned soldier. Inquiries have revealed that the authorities have no knowledge of this man, and we have been able to find no record of his ever having been a member of the League. It is a favorite trick of these Communist persons to pose as ex-service men. Their speakers on the Esplanade have been known to wear the League badge on occasions, and the significant absence of the financial crown is lost upon the general public. This is another vital reason for insisting on the return of the badge from those who become unfinancial.

Before the world awakened to the danger of permitting a fifth column to work unchecked, it used to be argued that attempts to suppress these people by law would merely drive them underground. Perhaps it would not be such a bad thing after all to drive them underground—preferably at Karrakatta.

The Leader of the State Opposition (the Hon. C. G. Latham), himself a good Digger, rendered the State a good service in sticking to his guns and eventually drawing from the Vice-Chancellor of the University a belated admission that the University authorities would suppress any Communist organisation that might appear within the walls of the University. During a newspaper correspondence that was prolonged unnecessarily by academic evasions, both Professor Beasley and Professor Murdoch pleaded that members of the teaching staff of the University were too busy with their own jobs to supervise the conduct of students. Nevertheless, both Professors have managed to fit in much newspaper writing and broadcasting with their onerous duties at Crawley.

The Federal President (Sir Gilbert Dyett) wrote recently congratulating the State Executive on the membership folder which was included in the May issue of The Listening Post. It is hoped that these folders have been, or will be, used to the maximum advantage and that every member will search for a non-member and hand or send it to him. This is a time when there should be no slackers and the League's war activities are such that every ex-service man should be in pulling his weight.

Anyone in a position to donate cardigans or socks for the Diggers in the Old Men's Home may leave these gifts at the Memorial Hall, Mt. Hawthorn. The sub-branch officials will see that they reach their destination.

Private cablegrams to members of the forces serving overseas may be sent via Imperial Cable and Beam Wireless for fivepence a word, with a minimum charge of two shillings and sixpence. Messages may be lodged at the company's office, Warwick House, St. George's Terrace, Perth, or at any post office.

At the meeting of presidents and secretaries held in Anzac House on May 8, a suggestion was endorsed that the League approach the Minister for the Army, through the Federal Office, urging a relaxation of the medical examination for returned soldier applicants for vacancies in the Home Defence Forces. The Federal President (Sir Gilbert Dyett) approached the Minister, who has advised the League that he regrets that he is unable to relax the existing conditions, but he considered that the medical authorities at all times would endeavour to avoid unnecessary rigidity in examinations.

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- Artificer or specialist, Trade Group II, 7/-;
- Artificer or specialist, Trade Group I, 8/-;
- Corporal or bombardier, 9/-;
- Sergeant, 10/-.

After embarkation, each of these ranks draws deferred pay at the rate of two shillings a day, with exchange as follows:

- Private, 6d.;
- Artificer or specialist, Trade Group III, 7d.;
- Artificer or specialist, Trade Group II, 9d.;
- Artificer or specialist, Group I, 10d.;
- Corporal or bombardier, 11d.;
- Sergeant, 11/11;
- Corporal or bombardier, 11/11.

Thus the total daily rates of pay for the ranks mentioned, after embarkation, including exchange and deferred pay will be:

- Private, 7/6;
- Artificer or specialist, Trade Group III, 8/7;
- Artificer or specialist, Trade Group II, 9/9;
- Artificer or specialist, Group I, 10/10;
- Corporal or bombardier, 11/11;
- Sergeant, 13/-.

In the case of married men of all ranks, separation allowance will be paid on the basis of a wife and one child, at the rate of 4/- a day, on the basis of 3/- for the wife and 1/- for the child.

West Leederville - Wembley sub-branch’s action in using half the available funds to purchase war savings certificates was a piece of practical patriotism and an example to other sub-branches. If the necessity arises the certificates can be redeemed.

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"Blue" writes: My war pension amounts to £1/1/- per week and I earn £4/5/- per week. The kids are off our hands now and there is only Mum and me to draw on my earnings. Mum called me into a conference the other night and put it to me that we could cut out some trimmings, including my beer, and live comfortably by my wages and that we should notify the Repat. that part of our war effort would consist of a refusal to collect the pension for the period of the war. Mum won the day. I agree that pensions should continue as part compensation for injuries received irrespective of a man’s financial status, but at such a time when money is almost as important as man-power, sacrifices must be made, and there are many well-to-do pensioners who could well follow the good example set by Mum.

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Recently the Rev. Geo. Cowie, B.A., of 62 Lang Road, Centennial Park, Sydney, New South Wales, appealed for copies of publications pertaining to the A.I.F. “Old Dad” has made arrangements for him to be supplied with a copy of “Toxite’s” 11th Battalion History. "Old Dad’ forwarded the price of the book to The Western Mail with the request that a copy be supplied to Mr. Cowie when published.

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At the meeting of the State Executive on May 29 there were present Messrs. Yeates, Olden, Aberle, H. James, Denton, W. J. James, Anderson, Nicholas, Margolin, Potts, Keeling, Fairley, Watt, Mitchell, Patton, Zeffer and Warner. Leave of absence was granted to Messrs. Collett, Philip, Panton, Hunt, Lamb, Cornell, Thorn, Colebatch, Paterson, Curlew, Mackenzie, Johnstone and Dinan.

Certificate of Service.—On the recommendation of the Manjimup sub-branch it was agreed that the Certificate of Service, which was to have been presented to Mr. Mackenzie at a meeting of the sub-branch last month, should be presented at an executive meeting.

Condolence.—Delegates expressed sympathy with Mr. James on the recent loss of his mother.

Federal Executive Meeting.—Advice was received from the Federal President that a meeting of the Federal Executive had been called for May 31. Mr. W. J. Hunt was appointed to represent the W.A. Branch.

It was resolved that resolution 147 of the 23rd Annual Congress, be reaffirmed and urged upon the Commonwealth Government for acceptance, particularly as Great Britain had now covered the League’s recommendation by urgent emergency legislation. The resolution read: “That this congress is of the opinion that the ideals for which the A.I.F. fought during the years 1914-1918 could be maintained in this era of intense nationalism only by the adoption of universal military training to provide for the adequate defence of Australia. That simultaneously with the recommendation of universal military training, congress is of the opinion that there should be some method of registration by organisation of men who have knowledge of Australia’s resources of wealth, man-power, material and industry, and that in the event of a national crisis arising the whole of these should be conscripted.”

The following resolutions were also submitted for the agenda for this meeting:

That recruiting for the R.A.A.F. and A.I.F. be more vigorously pursued and that admission to training camps should immediately follow attestation when desired by the recruit.

That the rigorous medical requirements for home defence recruits are unnecessary as returned soldiers are thus debarred from employment for which they are qualified and medically fit.

“Knowing that an appreciable number of members of the 10th Garrison Battalion in Western Australia have been accepted as members of the A.I.F., thereby indicating their physical fitness, this W.A. Branch is of the opinion that self-contained battalions of such men should be formed for overseas purposesug for base and line of communication duties and so release younger men for front line work.”

Empire Shopping Week.—An interim report in connection with Empire Shopping Week was received. It was agreed that the organiser (Mr. Hastings C. Reid) be asked to submit his organiser’s report to the next meeting of the executive.

Relief.—The report of the Relief Fund Trustees for the month of April showed that 97 applicants had been assisted at a cost of £87/12/9.

Visits.—Reports on visits received were as follows: Fremantle sub-branch, State President, Colonel Olden and Mr. Patton; Wyalong sub-branch, Mr. Aberle; 10th Garri-son Battalion, Mr. Aberle and the assistant State secretary; Nedlands Sub-Branch Cricket Club, Colonel Olden; W.A. Sportsmen’s Organising Council for Patriotic Funds, Colonel Olden; Williams sub-branch, Mr. Patton and the State Secretary; Mandurah sub-branch, Colonel Fairley, Mr. Johnstone and Mr. Potts; Mundaring-Toodyay sub-branch, Mr. Kendall; Merredin sub-branch, Colonel Mitchell; Mt. Hawthorn sub-branch, Mr. Zeffer and the State Secretary.

Resignation.—Mr. O. J. Williams advised that, through ill-health and acting upon the advice of his doctor, he was asked to resign his seat on the State Executive. In view of the circumstances the resignation was accepted with deep regret and an appreciation of the services rendered by Mr. Williams was recorded.

It was agreed that the next on the list as elected by congress should be advised.

Sub-Branch Officials.—The appointment of officials as advised by the Cave-Big Bell and Donnybrook sub-branches was confirmed.

Arms Matters.—Several letters and telegrams were received from sub-branches concerning army matters and the replies were left to the State Secretary.

Following discussions on this correspondence it was agreed that the Commonwealth Government be asked to authorise the formation and training of a local service corps.

Sub-branches of the League would be the basis of such a corps. This resolution was submitted to the Federal Executive meeting on May 31.

Acting on information received from one sub-branch it was agreed to advise the authorities that meetings were being held by the branch in certain districts.

R.A.A.F. Recruiting.—Mr. Walter Crossing requested League action to remove the necessity of R.A.A.F. recruits paying £1 to the Technical School for an educational course prior to their acceptance for training. It was agreed that the Commonwealth Government be requested to pay the necessary fee of £1 for R.A.A.F. reservists who are receiving special instruction.

Patrician Queen Carnival.—The organiser of this carnival, the proceeds from which would be devoted to patriotic purposes, requested the League to nominate a competitor. After discussion it was agreed that the organiser that it was regretted that the executive could not comply with this request.

Old Metals Branch.—The executive was asked to nominate a member to act on the Old Metals Branch. Mr. Kahan was appointed.

Offer Civil Servants.—The State President had received a communication signed by 52 returned soldier civil servants of the Taxation Department voluntarily placing their services at the disposal of the State to the extent of working overtime without additional pay to any extent which may be necessary to enable the Government to release all those civil servants who desire to enlist in either the A.I.F. or the A.R.C. They asked that this offer be telegraphed immediately to Senator Collett in order that he may present it to the Minister. It was agreed to accede to their request and also to congratulate those concerned for the splendid offer they had made.

Anzac Day Broadcast.—Reference was again made to the interrupted broadcast of
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the Anzac Day service. Delegates were advised that assurances had been given that such a state of affairs would not recur.

Notice of Motion.—Mr. Zeffert gave notice of his intention to move at the next meeting, "That this Executive approves the formation of an organised Foreign Legion to which men refugees from Nazi persecution will be encouraged to join."

May 15, 1940

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Because of illness, Mr. Williams was granted leave of absence for one month, and it was agreed that Messrs. Fairley and Johnstone represent the Executive at the Mundurah reunion on May 25.

Visits.—The following visits were reported: State President and Mr. Paton, Fremanite sub-branch; State President, Salvation Army; Mr. Watt, West Leederville Anzac Day; Colonel Margolin, Perth sub-branch; Mr. Williams, Carlisle sub-branch; Mr. Philp, Marradong-Boddington; Colonel Lamb, Northam Anzac service; Mr. Paton, Fremantle sub-branch; Mr. Aberle, Melville sub-branch; Colonel Fairley, Mr. Magness, Cue-Big Bell, Wiluna and Kalgoorlie sub-branches.

Congratulations.—A letter was received from Colonel Collett, acknowledging congratulations on his appointment as Assistant Minister for Repatriation. Acknowledgment was also received from Mr. John Wood in reply to congratulations on his eightieth birthday.

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Condolence.—Following the presentation of the Anzac Club report, reference was made to the loss of two prominent and popular members, Mr. Fred White and Mr. Harry Holder. A motion of sympathy with the relatives was carried.

Welcome.—The State President formally welcomed to the meeting the Country Vice-President, Mr. H. James.

Council for Civil Liberties.—A letter was read from Dr. A. Jacob, protesting against the withholding of Anzac House for meeting purposes for the Council of Civil Liberties.

The President explained that he instructed that the hall was not to be made available. It was resolved that the action of the State President be endorsed and that all papers and information in connection with this organisation be forwarded to the proper authorities.

Formation New Sub-Branch.—Approval was given for the formation of a new sub-branch to be known as Shackleton-Kwoylyn sub-branch and the President of the Executive was referred to the Management Committee.

Army Matters: Military Hospital.—A wire was received from Senator Collett advising that University Endowment land had been approved as a site for a permanent military hospital of 100 beds that the structure would be of brick with provision for temporary extension.

Medical Examination.—The State President had written to the Federal President drawing attention to the rigid medical examination of applicants for the Home Defence Forces, and asked that such medical examination be relaxed. The Federal President advised that he instructed the Minister for the Army to convey his regrets that he was unable to relax the existing conditions, but medical authorities at all times had endeavoured to avoid unnecessary rigidity in examinations.

Manjimup Sub-Branch.—This sub-branch submitted a number of queries, the replies to which were left to the State Secretary.

Procedure.—A letter was received through the Federal office from the Army Department drawing attention to the necessary procedure which required sub-branches to transmit matters that they desire to bring to the notice of Army Headquarters to the State Headquarters, and also for the State Headquarters to communicate through the Federal office. It was decided that this matter be referred to the next Head Office circular.

Hospital Records.—Mr. Hawthorn sub-branch suggested that for the convenience of hospital visitors the particulars of returned soldier patients in the Perth Hospital be made available to sub-branch visitors. Mr. Nicholas, the League's hospital visitor, announced that a list was now available in Ward XI and for the civilian wards the creed book showed the letters "R.S." He thought that this would meet the position. It was decided that the sub-branch be informed accordingly.

Newdegate and Colonol Collett Cup Competitions.—In order to complete the State congress circular, the State Secretary defined the metropolitan sub-branches eligible for the Newdegate Cup. The Colonel Collett Cup being reserved for country sub-branches. The grouping was approved.

Mary Cornwall Trophy.—The finalisation of this was deferred.
MELVILLE

The sub-branch recently entertained 12 visitors from the Serpentine-Jarrahdale sub-branch, as well as two each from Belmont and South Perth. Following a crayfish and beer repast, the gathering was regaled in racy style by various speakers, including Fred Aberle and Dick Geddes. The humble dog was the principal figure in several funny stories which brought the house down. Mr. Jim Philip presented the secretary (Mr. H. Moore) and the immediate past president (Mr. Bill Bailey) with each received the League’s Certificate of Service. Members are prominent in all local movements including A.R.P., work, comforts fund, swimming club, road board, Parents and Citizen’s, etc.

RETURNED ARMY SISTERS

The monthly meeting, held at the clubrooms on June 6 was preceded over by Miss Clifton (president) and was well attended by 25 members. We deeply sympathise with one of our members, Mrs. Forester, of Bencubbin, on the tragic death of her husband last month. It was pleasing to see some of the nurses from the Eastern States and New Zealand as they passed through Perth on their way overseas. The usual weekly Red Cross sewing meetings are still being held every Thursday evening, and we would like to see as many members as possible on these nights.

GLOUCESTER PARK

A.H.M. Games.—At the last sub-branch meeting it was decided that instead of forcing Mosman Park sub-branch to forfeit, we would play them at Anzac House on August 14. Our first two games have met with success, viz., Victoria Park 10-0, North Perth 8-2. Our next games are Mt. Lawley at Anzac House on June 13; Cottesloe at Anzac House on June 17 and Nedlands at Anzac House on July 15. For this year, C. J. Lambie is sports director; Frank Brown, shooting captain; Vic Fowler, table tennis; Bill Smith, quoits; Caple, bridge; Harry Bethell, darts. New members continue to join up. Geo. Owens has outlined a scheme for the purchase of War Saving Certificates for our sub-branch and the improvement of our amelioration fund. Vic. Fowler and Caple reported their impression of the president and secretaries’ meeting at Antec House recently. Mr. Ackroyd reported visiting with Mr. White sick members in hospital.

BASSEXDEAN

The business meeting was held on May 23. The social committee held a special meeting at the president’s residence on May 30 to discuss the possibility of procuring a block of land for building purposes. It was decided to take over the dances held in the Masonic Hall each week by the junior footballers. The entire profits will be devoted to patriotic funds and the social committee desires the full support of all in this worthy cause.

WEST LEEDESVILLE-WEMBLEY

The president (Mr. Harold Ingle) presided over a good meeting on May 13. Delegates reported on visits to the Perth sub-branch and on a social tendered the sub-branch by the Manchester Unity Lodge, East Perth. George Tummell’s cricketers are getting into form for the coming season. A visitor to the monthly meeting was Mr. Reg. Ratley, another cricket enthusiast from North Perth. Members were delighted to see once again the spirit and效率 has been a very keen. The blunt edge has continued his good work as a thorn in the side of the enemy. Bob Nestor, who served in the 16th and 28th Battalions, is going overseas with the Forestry Corps. He is a son of the late Sergeant-Major Jock Nestor, who was well-known to those who did their preliminary training at Blackboy Hill. There was a great crowd present and all fervently wished the boys “au revoir” and a safe return. Community singing, games and dancing added to the gaiety of a most enjoyable night.

PEMBERTON

At the monthly meeting on June 4 it was decided to draw up a dance programme. Organisation for home defence was discussed and it was decided to support any action which the State Executive might take. The matter of despatching parcels overseas was also discussed. A sub-committee has been appointed to go more fully into this matter. The next dance for the amelioration fund will be held on June 22. The secretary, who has been away on long service leave, was welcomed back to office.

MT. HAWTHORN-NTH. LEEDESVILLE

May has been a very busy month. The games of bowls and darts in the first round have been very keen and the blunt edge has off to three of the local stalwarts who are departing for service. The youngest, a son of a well-known Digger, Mr. Brine, goes to the Royal Australian Air Force. Genial Jock King, a past president of the sub-branch, has joined the ground staff of the Air Force. During the last war Jock served with the Highland Light Infantry. He spent two and a half years in Germany where he continued his good work as a thorn in the side of the enemy. Bob Nestor, who served in the 16th and 28th Battalions, is going overseas with the Forestry Corps. He is a son of the late Sergeant-Major Jock Nestor, who was well-known to those who did their preliminary training at Blackboy Hill. There was a great crowd present and all fervently wished the boys “au revoir” and a safe return. Community singing, games and dancing added to the gaiety of a most enjoyable night.

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been sharpened up to a very keen edge. In the darts, a lot of high-class talent is being unearthed to make the contests very keen, as the first prize is a trip to London. Jimmy reckons he is a cert., as he is a brown bomber. The smoke social was a huge success, thanks to an energetic committee and the cabin-boys looking after their white coats. We are again under an obligation to the women's auxiliary under Mrs. Bevan. The way the tables were laid would have won any of the competitions. Thanks are also due to Geo. Williams and Mrs. Diggins for their hard work. Amongst the guests were Messrs. M. Zeffert, whose speech was heartily applauded, Councillors Billy Beadie and our old friend Councillor Caddy, whom we all admire for his good work for the Diggers, and Councillor Purselowe, who was in uniform. Our popular Lord Mayor (Dr. Meagher) got a real good welcome. He is a very popular person out at Mt. Hawthorn. Other distinguished and worthy guests were Messrs. Dimmott and Parker, M.A.C. Dave Benson was seen. The orchestra, as usual, gave of their best. We thank Alex. and his fellow members and the other artists who assisted. It was a real pleasure to see so many navy, army, and air force uniforms present. This made a good setting, for our motto is these days "thumbs up," and our theme song, "Pack up your troubles," is always sung out here. Every meeting sees new members joining up, the latest being Messrs. Miller and Becket. Bridge nights are still held every Monday. Mt. Hawthorn sick parades show that Bill Skates is showing great cheerfulness in his long illness. Tom May, despite being unable to get about, is showing skill at knitting socks for the new Diggers. J. Murdoch is in hospital after a motor accident. Bill Andrews, one of the sub-branch's sick wardens, has himself just recovered after a very bad case of pleurisy and Tony Erickson is going into hospital for an operation. Tony is one of Mt. Hawthorn's best tennis players and his loss will be felt.

SUBIACO
The month's work has proceeded smoothly and efficiently in spite of adverse war news. Quite a number of new members have joined and many have come into the fold hoping that the R.S.L. will be able to utilise their services in spare hours or days in the crushing of the foul plague of Germanism. Let us put it on record here that the Subiaco sub-branch is 100 per cent. behind the State Executive in their efforts for national defence and not the least in their advocacy of conscription of wealth and man-power. At the general meeting on June 6 leave of absence was granted to the president (Mr. Enn Congdon), who has joined the A.I.F. A suggestion that Sergeant Congdon should be given the loan of the sub-branch's jeep to defend the medical transport from dive bombers was turned down on the plea that the military authorities might have a more effective weapon for his use. Geo. Lomas, a great sub-branch stalwart, presented the sub-branch with six cups for championship awards. The gift is much appreciated. Bridge evenings are now held every Saturday evening in the clubroom upstairs, and dances are held every Wednesday and Friday. These dances have proved most popular.

MANJIMUP
Last month we deplored the high death rate among the sub-branch members. Now it is the war that is depleting the ranks. Johnny Noble is in the Garrison Battalion, Lou Goodman and Ted Archer are going abroad with the Forestry mob and the latest deflection is Laurie Sims, the president, no less. At least Laurie has passed the doctor here. We don't wish to be spiteful, but we hope the war is over before he gets his commission. Recruiting generally is gathering volume here. The second visit of the recruiting board lasted a day and a half. Somewhere near a 100 were examined and about 60 passed. Nearly all the "outs" were due to reserved occupations. A party of 18 local men of the Forestry unit were farewell by a crowd of 490 persons in the town hall on May 27. Among the guests of honour were Lou Goodman (vice-president) and Ted Archer (committee) of the sub-branch. Now, Vice-President Lou and Secretary Albert Hastings are, as far as we know, the only two representatives of the senior silent salt water service in our sub-branch. It's bad enough for a secretary to lose a useful colleague, but Albert's distressed was aggravated by Lou's choice of a unit. "My old shipp'y's gone ashore, all right," he grieved. "He's neither sailor nor soldier, nor even a blooming marine, but a Forcster."

CARLISLE
Mr. GidDesan presided over 26 members at the June meeting. Two new members were welcomed. Weekly dances are still being held every Friday. All members are requested to roll up to the next meeting on July 4. It is election night, finishing up with a social evening to welcome the new officers who will carry on for the next term.

NORTH-EAST FREMANTLE
There was a more than usually large attendance on Empire night when the monthly meeting was followed by the quarterly social. Mr. J. Paton, the senior vice-president, presided, owing to the president's absence on his military duties. The hon. secretary (S. Tugby) and the treasurer J. Walker assisted. Mr. Tugby reported that Colonel Forbes had been placed in charge of the Barracks and had written a letter to the sub-branch thanking it for its welcome and agreeing to allow the sub-branch the use of a room in the Barracks for use generally. A letter was also sent to Mr. T. Hobbs, thanking him for his help in Mr. Tugby's shift for him on the trains as conductor. Mr. Clark reported that with Mews. Tugby and Hopkins he had waited upon the chairman of trustees of the Soldiers' Institute (the Mayor of Fremantle, Mr. E. E. Gibson). He said the deputation had received the utmost courtesy from Mr. Gibson and much had been learned about the past management of the buildings. He fully outlined the position as it existed to-day and was assured that any body of returned men was entitled to the use of the buildings. These remarks were supported by a life member of the trustees, who was present, and by Mr. Tugby, the secretary. The treasurer reported that there was a credit balance in the bank of £20/7/6 and the subscriptions received that night amounted to £72/6/6. A hearty vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Tom Bell for his continued help to the sub-branch in providing free transport of the members and the women's auxiliary. A similar vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Kennedy for the gift of trophies. About a dozen new members were welcomed. The social followed at which Mr. Foley played the necessary piano accompaniments.

CALINGIRI
On Wednesday, May 27, the sub-branch farewell Bill Boreham, a son of member Alf Boreham, of Piawaning. Bill, who is a member of the senior service, was home on leave. In the absence of the president (Mr. Hill), who was on the sick list, Mr. W. Campbell officiated. On behalf of the sub-branch he wished Bill God-speed and good luck. Members then enthusiastically drank the health of their new comrade. Bill, having signed the register, thanked those present.
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for their good wishes. The meeting then adjourned to the local hall where a public function, convened by the sub-branch, was held. The sub-branch proposes that, helped by the local branch of the Red Cross, they will farewell all the local lads who leave for service overseas. At Bolgart, on June 1, the quarterly meeting was held. The subject of aliens was fully discussed and members urged that drastic action be taken to curtail their activities. The question of the fifth column was also discussed and the speakers stressed the gravity of the position in many countries caused by the subversive activities of these people. Now is the time to put our own house in order.

ARMADALE
The monthly meeting was held on May 8. Through the absence of the president (Mr. J. Taylor) who, along with Mr. Sanderson attended the presidents and secretaries' conference at Anzac House, Mr. A. Egan was voted to the chair. The hon. secretary (Mr. C. Gummery) reported a present financial membership of 84 and urged that every effort should be made to bring the few non-financial members up to scratch. Members and the women's committee of the sub-branch were co-operating with the Armadale branch of the Red Cross in extending a hearty welcome to the new A.I.F. boys. The sub-branch joining with the 10th Light Horse again this year is making arrangements for the 1940 military ball to be held at Armadale. Details were finalised for a benefit social and dance to be held in aid of a distressed member, who is seriously ill.

VICTORIA PARK
Last month was an unusually busy one for the sub-branch. Three A.R.M.S. engagements took place versus Mt. Lawley, Gloucester Park and Neldmans, in that order. Although we only scored three points out of the 30 we all enjoyed ourselves. The evenings inevitably bring to mind the stern events of to-day. Accordingly, the games of 1940 are not played in the carefree atmosphere of old, the thoughts of all being with the troops again. A.D. is too formidable a barrier for many of us to surmount. Congratulations to Fred Matthews on his successful organisation of the sixth anniversary of the hall opening. It was voted a great night all round. Certificates for services rendered were presented. The heartiest thanks of the sub-branch are hereby extended to all assisting artists. Well done, Fred.

MOSMAN PARK
Our May meeting was moderately attended and the most important business of the evening was the nomination of officers for the ensuing year. It was decided to split the duties of sub-branch administration and hall control accordingly. Two secretaries were nominated—Chris. James, as hall secretary, and Dick Thomas, a newcomer into the sub-branch, as sub-branch secretary. Confidence was expressed by members of the sub-branch by very few alterations to the personnel of the committee which have successfully carried the sub-branch along since the hall was first acquired. Members indicated a strong desire to get their weight behind some war efforts, but to avoid any needless overlapping we are awaiting the formulation of some plan by headquarters. As contemplated, our meeting with Neldmans in the A.R.M.S. competition proved disastrous to us and we were turned up to the extent of 6-2. Claremont also benefited by their meeting with us and improved their position by putting us down 6-4. Both nights were very enjoyable, and although we finished up at the thin end of the stick we felt that the evenings were more than justified by the good fellowship engendered. Fred Stone and Dud Power justified their emergence from obscurity by contributing considerably in their respective spheres to what little success we achieved. Our next engagement is in our hall on Thursday, June 27, and our opponents are Victoria Park. The Wednesday night euchre is still proving popular and now that more table space is available, due to the efforts of the uniting Ted McDavitt, who constructed some much-needed table-tops, members and their friends are requested to come along, if only occasionally, and help the sub-branch along. Next meeting is Tuesday, June 25, and games practice commences at 7.30.

ALBANY
The monthly meeting was held on June 4, with the president (Mr. A. H. Richardson) in the chair. There was an unusually large attendance. A recommendation that the hands sub-committee be reformed to deal with all questions concerning settlers who proceed overseas on service was agreed to unanimously. Messrs. Allwood, McKenzie, Whiteman, H. Walker and Vaughan were appointed. Another proposal which received unanimous assent was that the proceeds of the Friday night entertainments should be used to supply local men serving overseas with free copies of "The Albany Wizbang." Other recommendations passed were that war saving certificates to be purchased from No. 2 Account and that a 100 dodgers similar to those published with "The Listening Post" be purchased. Several matters, including the question of honorary membership and wool appraisement were again referred to the State Executive. The O.C. Gardens reported that the balance was just over £23, and that he had received a donation of five shrubs from Tom Bennett. A resolution urging conscription of all wealth, manpower and industry for the better prosecution of the war was carried. Empire Shopping Week was responsible for a good show of posters in many local shops. The next meeting will be held on July 2, when the annual election of officers will take place.

OSBORNE PARK
The grand military ball was a great success. Among the distinguished guests were Colonel and Mrs. Olden, who led the grand
BASSENDEAN

On May 17 a very delightful and successful dance was held in the Masonic Hall by a group of the women's auxiliary to help to raise funds for amelioration work. The result was that the sum of £9/14/9 was handed over to the treasurer. An invalid table was also presented to the women by the sub-branch. This table was originally made for the late Elia Oakley and was received by the vice-president (Mrs. Grieve). A hearty vote of thanks was given to the ladies who were responsible for the evening and the auxiliary a happy birthday. Mrs. Gillesen cut the two-tiered cake which was made for the occasion by Mrs. Solly. The jumble sale on May 18 showed a good return. A grand Empire ball on May 31 was a most successful function. The auxiliary sends greetings to Mrs. McKinlay, of Victoria Park, wishing her a speedy recovery.

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A varied programme followed the tea. The artists included Messrs. Dave Howard, Sid Anderson and Carleno, Misses Roma, Shirley and Valma Fairclough, and the pupils of Miss Gable-Williams. Selections were played at intervals by the R.S.L. Juvenile Band, under the baton of Mr. Colley. The programme was arranged by Mrs. Prue. The catering for the tea was in the hands of the auxiliary committee. To help general funds, Mrs. Sharland held a very successful house party at her home recently. The sum of 35/- was raised. On May 30 members were entertained by the sub-branch, the occasion being the fiftieth anniversary of the opening of the hall. Mrs. Barnett gave the sub-branch a birthday present of £15/15/- on behalf of the auxiliary. The organiser (Mr. F. Matthews), who always provides a good night, surpassed himself on this occasion. At the general meeting on May 31 four new members were welcomed. Mrs. Caldwell reported 27 patients at the Edward Millen Home when she paid the monthly visit. The wool comforts are still coming in steadily. A cheque for £2/2/- was welcomed. This was a donation from Mr. J. R. Johnstone, of the Broadway Theatre, Victoria Park. Several parcels have been distributed to local boys proceeding overseas. Appreciation was expressed of the fact that Mrs. H. Taylor not only makes the wreath for Anzac Day but provides it as well. Mrs. Taylor replied that “she liked to do it.”

WAGIN
During the past month the auxiliary was busy making arrangements for the 5th Great Southern Women’s Auxiliaries’ Reunion, which was held at Wagin on Wednesday, May 29. The reunion took the form of a dinner followed by a social evening and dancing. A good orchestra contributed greatly to the success and enjoyment of the function.

COTTESLOE
There was a fair attendance at the monthly meeting, presided over by Mrs. Scott, on
June 9. Several new members were welcomed. The social committee reported on the success of the weekly bridge parties held in conjunction with the sub-branch in the Hostel Manly. The success of these functions is largely due to the kindness of Mr. Melmuin, in allowing the full use of the hostel free of charge. During the month a concert was given by the Cottesloe Optimists’ Party. The proceeds were in aid of the Camp Comforts Fund. Members are now busy with knitting for the troops. Parcels are also being prepared for the men who have enlisted from the district.

NORTH-EAST FREMANTLE

The auxiliary recently gave a farewell party to three relatives of members, Messrs. Melderum, Poat and Bell, who are now on active service abroad. There were over a 100 present. The president (Mrs. Bell) referred to the excellent and self-sacrificing work that had been done by Mrs. Rankin, and the sailors and soldiers’ comforts committee of which Mrs. Rankin is chairman.

These ladies are working vigorously on behalf of the A.I.F. Presentations of inscribed wristlet watches were made to the three guests, who suitably responded. The secretary of the North-East Fremantle sub-branch (Mr. Tugby) assured the departing boys that the sub-branch would watch over their interests and advised them to keep in close touch with the League. Members of the sub-branch added to the fun of the evening by parading as models for a fashionable wedding. Amusing and explanatory comments were provided by Mrs. Bell. Those who saw him will never forget Mr. Fredericks as “The Bride’s Mother.” Two veterans of the last war who came along to wish the young Diggers Gods-speed were Messrs. Brick and Corner, who are both close friends of the North-East Fremantle auxiliary.

SUBIACO

Two bridge afternoons have been held to raise funds for the purchase of knitting wool. Demonstrations of flower- and toy-making and of dress-cutting and designing have been given. Diggers of the Old Men’s Home all had a cheery word on the occasion of the auxiliary’s May visit. The concert led by Mrs. J. Thomas and the boxes distributed were greatly appreciated. The Lemnos visit was also a happy event. The auxiliary thanks Bunbury and Waroona auxiliaries for consistent help in sending along home-made biscuits, cakes and jam for distribution at the various institutions. That ardent band of workers, the visiting committee, keeps up the regular visits to the Home of Peace and the various hospitals. The auxiliary operates with the sub-branch in the entertainment of troops passing through the city. Subiaco was well represented at the Empire Ball in Anzac House. The sports director (Mrs. Burgess) reports that keen interest is being taken in the McKinlay Shield Competition. Two rounds have been won by the auxiliary. A championship being run among members is arousing interest and causing much fun.

BOULDER

The general meeting was held on May 29 when Mrs. Bosustow presided over 22 members. The weekly dances are proving a great success. Mrs. Bayes and Mrs. Crompton and her orchestra are still doing their good work in supplying the music. Mr. Reid, who has acted as M.C. for so long, has now joined the A.I.F. He will be greatly missed. The auxiliary comfort fund has many knitters now. Mrs. James, aged 74, has knitted 12 pairs of socks. Men on leave are welcomed at the socials. A.I.F. men are asked to autograph the flag and are given souvenir handkerchiefs and packets of cigarettes. When Mr. H. A. Fisher (whose wife is secretary of the auxiliary) was leaving with the R.A.A.F. he was presented with a pen and pencil-set from the members.
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<td>POPANYINNING</td>
<td>Last alternate Sunday</td>
<td>Quarterly</td>
<td>A. S. Graham, Narrogin</td>
<td>T. H. Wylie, Narrobin</td>
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<td>PERTH</td>
<td>Monthly, 2nd Tuesday</td>
<td>1st and 3rd Monday</td>
<td>J. M. Anderson, 33 Tyrell Street, Nedlands</td>
<td>J. K. Jeffreson, 8 Thomas St., Nedlands</td>
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<td>PERTH (Office hours: 9 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.)</td>
<td>Monthly, 2nd Tuesday</td>
<td>1st and 3rd Monday</td>
<td>D. G. Kinlock, Newdegate</td>
<td>T. H. Kane, Newdegate</td>
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<td>PRESS</td>
<td>Artillery Barracks, Burt Street, Fremantle Railway Hotel, N'hampt</td>
<td>4th Thursday, 8 p.m.</td>
<td>A. Glance, Northampton</td>
<td>R. Biggs, c/o. West Australian</td>
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<td>PITHARA</td>
<td>R.S.L Clubrooms, Gordon Street, Northam</td>
<td>3rd Saturday, 9 p.m.</td>
<td>H. C. S. Colebatch, Fitzgerald Street, Northam</td>
<td>R. C. McGarrell, Yarriambi</td>
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<td>POPANYINNING</td>
<td>St. Hilda's Hall, Glebe Street (off View Street)</td>
<td>1st Wednesday in the month at 8 p.m.</td>
<td>S. Dival, 24 York Street, North Perth</td>
<td>R. C. McGarrell, Yarriambi</td>
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<td>PILBARA</td>
<td>Town Hall, Toodyay</td>
<td>Last Sat. in each month</td>
<td>J. O'Farrell, 47 Charles Street, Perth</td>
<td>W. A. Leckie, Toodyay</td>
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<td>QUAIRADING-DANGIN</td>
<td>R.S.L Hall</td>
<td>1st and 3rd Wednesday, 1 p.m.</td>
<td>E. T. Roberts, Pithara</td>
<td>T. F. Smith, Ravensthorpe</td>
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<td>RAVENSTHORPE</td>
<td>R.A.O.B Clubrooms</td>
<td>3rd Sunday, 3 p.m.</td>
<td>T. Cowan, Yarriambi</td>
<td>J. M. Beckwith, Box 7, Southern Cross</td>
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<td>SOUTHERN CROSS</td>
<td>Kwoylin Hotel</td>
<td>1st Saturday in month, alt.</td>
<td>E. L. Taplin, Port Hedland</td>
<td>J. W. Patterson, Trayingy</td>
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<td>SHACKELTON-KWOLYIN</td>
<td>Quairading Hall &amp; Dangin Hotel, alternatively Warden's Court</td>
<td>When called</td>
<td>E. C. Johnston, Quairading</td>
<td>T. J. Mathews, 21 Esperance Street, Victoria Park</td>
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<td>SUBIACCO</td>
<td>R.S.L. Hall, 61 Townshend Road, Subiaco</td>
<td>1st Saturday in every 3rd month</td>
<td>T. Campbell, Ravensthorpe</td>
<td>T. Bailey, Wubin</td>
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<td>TAMPELUN</td>
<td>R.S.L Club</td>
<td>from June, 1940, at 8.15 p.m.</td>
<td>W. E. Sanders, National Bank, Southern Cross</td>
<td>H. Hains, 97 Blencowe Street, West Leederville</td>
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<td>TOODYAY</td>
<td>Town Hall, Toodyay</td>
<td>1st Thursday, 8 p.m.</td>
<td>Ern. Congdon, 65 Hensman Road, Subiaco</td>
<td>J. W. Patterson, Trayingy</td>
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<td>TRAYNING YELBENI</td>
<td>Trayingy Hall</td>
<td>1st Monday, 8 p.m.</td>
<td>R. Steel, Tambellup</td>
<td>T. J. Mathews, 21 Esperance Street, Victoria Park</td>
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<td>VICTORIA PARK</td>
<td>Memorial Hall, Salford St.</td>
<td>1st Tuesday in each month, 8 p.m.</td>
<td>F. Smeeton, Trayningy</td>
<td>T. Bailey, Wubin</td>
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<td>WUBIN</td>
<td>Wubin Hall</td>
<td>Every 4th Sunday</td>
<td>H. Nicol, 35 Miller Street, Victoria Park</td>
<td>H. H. Hains, 97 Blencowe Street, West Leederville</td>
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<td>WEST LEEDERVILLE</td>
<td>Town Hall, Cambridge Street, Leederville</td>
<td>Last Saturday, 8 p.m., bi-monthly</td>
<td>A. B. Dinnie, Buntine</td>
<td>H. H. Hains, 97 Blencowe Street, West Leederville</td>
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<td>WEMBLEY YEALERING</td>
<td>Comm. Hall, Yealering</td>
<td>2nd Thursday, 7.30 p.m.</td>
<td>H. J. Ingle, 223 Cambridge Street, Wembley</td>
<td>H. H. Hains, 97 Blencowe Street, West Leederville</td>
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<td>YORK</td>
<td>Youanmi Hotel</td>
<td>3rd Saturday, 8 p.m.</td>
<td>A. Kelly, Yealering</td>
<td>J. W. Patterson, Trayingy</td>
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<td>YOULLAMI</td>
<td>Lesser Hall</td>
<td>3rd Tuesday</td>
<td>Colin Thorn, York</td>
<td>T. J. Mathews, 21 Esperance Street, Victoria Park</td>
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<td>WYALKATCHEM</td>
<td>Memorial Hall</td>
<td>3rd Saturday, after 18th month</td>
<td>D. C. Johnston, Youanmi</td>
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<td>WAROONA-HAMEL</td>
<td>Anzac House</td>
<td>of month</td>
<td>S. W. Robinson, Wyalkatchem</td>
<td>H. J. Hains, 97 Blencowe Street, West Leederville</td>
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<td>WEST PERTH</td>
<td>2nd Saturday in each month</td>
<td>Phone 33</td>
<td>T. J. Handle, Waroona</td>
<td>S. R. Ivey, Waroona</td>
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<td>WILUNA</td>
<td>2nd Saturday in each month</td>
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<td>R. E. Tyler, Rivervale</td>
<td>W. L. Boyd, c/o. Agricultural Bank, Perth</td>
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